TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule

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Under IC 4-22-2-23, the Natural Resources Commission intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Amends 312 IAC 9-3-2, which governs general requirements and licenses for hunting deer, to add an electronic reporting system for checking in harvested deer, to allow the possession of a handgun without a handgun license in accordance with IC 35-47, and to allow three antlerless deer to be taken with the deer license bundle. Amends 312 IAC 9-3-10 governing commercial processing of deer to specify that an electronic harvest confirmation number may be recorded and to establish a date for registering with the department. Amends 312 IAC 9-4-11 to allow another individual to call for a turkey hunter if properly licensed, to add an electronic reporting system for checking in harvested turkeys, to extend the fall turkey season for an additional day, and to allow the possession of a handgun without a handgun license in accordance with IC 35-47. Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher. Questions may be sent to the Division of Hearings, Natural Resources Commission, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N501, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2200, at nrcrules@nrc.in.gov, or by telephone at (317) 232-4699. Comments may be sent by regular mail to the address above or through http://www.in.gov/nrc/2377.htm. Statutory authority: IC 14-10-2-4; IC 14-22-2-6.

For purposes of IC 4-22-2-28.1, the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule is:

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For purposes of <u>IC 4-22-2-28.1</u>, the Small Business Ombudsman designated by <u>IC 5-28-17-5</u> is:

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Resources available to regulated entities through the small business ombudsman include the ombudsman's duties stated in <u>IC 5-28-17-5</u>, specifically <u>IC 5-28-17-5(9)</u>, investigating and attempting to resolve any matter regarding compliance by a small business with a law, rule, or policy administered by a state agency, either as a party to a proceeding or as a mediator.

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